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Thank you, BACON &amp; THOMAS, PLLC.

**Message:**

We are enclosing herewith nine (9) pages of an Amendment in connection with the above identified application. Please let us know if you require anything further in connection with this application. Thank you.

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Sir:

This is in further response to the Final Rejection of September 8, 2003. A timely filed Notice of Appeal with a one month extension of time was filed on January 8, 2004 as full response to the Final Rejection. The appeal brief is now due on March 8, 2004. The present amendment is being filed in an effort to place the application in condition for allowance and to avoid the necessity to proceed with the preparation and filing of an appeal brief.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.